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Ribbon Cutting for New Park Shelter

Constructed by Kimberly High School Students

Kimberly, Wis. – January 11, 2019 – The public is invited to attend a ribbon cutting for the new Shelter #1 within Sunset Park that was constructed by Kimberly High School students in the Building Construction 2 (BC2) class.

What: Ribbon Cutting for New Shelter #1

When: Thursday, January 17, 2019, at 9:00am

Where: Sunset Point Park, 300 Sunset Park Rd, Kimberly, Wisconsin

Background:

[Kimberly High School](#) students in the Building Construction 2 (BC2) class have been meeting at a construction jobsite instead of a classroom. They are proud to celebrate their completion of Shelter #1 within [Sunset Park](#). Each school year, the BC2 class takes on one community-based construction project within the [Kimberly Area School District](#).

Past BC2 classes have built everything from residential garages and concession stands, to a park gazebo and an outdoor learning classroom in their school's forest.

For students in the BC2 class, this project is an opportunity to apply what they are learning in school to a hands-on project. The community benefits from their hard work and the students will graduate better prepared for life after high school. This experience is an example of how Academic and Career Planning (ACP) in the District helps students explore careers and have real-world experiences that help prepare them for college, careers and life. By taking Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) coursework like BC2, the students are also developing an interest in high-demand jobs.

The BC2 class is part of the curriculum for the [Architecture, Construction and Engineering \(ACE\) Academy](#). Called a school-within-a-school, students who participate in the ACE Academy receive a comprehensive education in a collaborative learning environment that fosters a link between classroom learning and real-world experiences.

Students in the BC2 class have the opportunity to work alongside local construction professionals, such as concrete workers and welders, in order to learn from experts on each aspect of construction. Each community-based project has been different so the students develop a slightly different construction skill set.

About the Kimberly Area School District

The Kimberly Area School District is a progressive public school district committed to providing the best possible education available to students. Its responsibility is to help lead the way in developing well-rounded students and future citizens. The District wants every student to be given the opportunity to reach their potential through academics, the arts and co-curricular activities. It encompasses approximately 17 square miles and serves over 5,100 students in one 4K center, four elementary schools (5K-4), two intermediate schools (5-6), one middle school (7-8) and one high school (9-12). To learn more about the Kimberly Area School District, call (920)788-7900 or visit www.kimberly.k12.wi.us.